

ST. CLAIR COUNTY - Harold Waggoner & Co.  
(Saugat) Tanker Truck Wastes

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TO: Division of Water Pollution Control, Surveillance Section  
FROM: Michael G. Neumann, Engineer, Mississippi Direct Sub-Unit  
DATE: February 13 and March 22, 1973  
INTERVIEWED: Harold Waggoner, Owner

On the above dates, the writer visited the Harold Waggoner & Company, Chemical Transporters. Agency personnel had previously observed the trucking company discharging the contents of its tanker trucks to an adjacent body of water appropriately named Dead Creek. An Agency letter notified the company of the discharge and a reply was received that the discharge to Dead Creek had been eliminated.

The owner of the trucking company, Mr. Harold Waggoner, was contacted at his office. Mr. Waggoner stated that a hole had been dug nearby into which the tanker truck washwater discharged. Mr. Waggoner stated that there was no danger of the facility overflowing. The writer explained various State laws and regulation governing discharges and treatment facilities. The writer inspected the hole which was located about 100 yards behind the trucking company's office. The hole was roughly circular, about 30' in diameter, with an unknown depth. Its surface was covered with oil. The hole was not surrounded by a fence nor were warning signs posted. The company did not obtain a permit for construction. About 100 gpd are used to wash out two tank trucks which are used to transport industrial acids. Since the tank trucks are loaded and unloaded under pressure, Mr. Waggoner did not believe that there was any acid left in the trucks when they are washed out. Mr. Waggoner attributed the oil in the hole to the leaking of several barrels that had been placed in or near the hole. The barrels had been discarded on the property several years previous.

A subsequent check with the Permit Section revealed that since only 100 gpd are discharged to the facility, there was little acid waste contained in the washwater and there was no overflow, a permit would probably not be needed, although the situation was a somewhat gray area.

Surveillance of the facility will continue to determine if the situation changes.

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